

Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA

§51.2830

DEFINITIONS

§ 51.2756 Similar varietal characteristics.

Similar varietal characteristics means that the peanut kernels in the lot are not of distinctly different varieties. For example, Spanish type shall not be mixed with Virginia type.

§ 51.2757 Whole.

Whole means that the peanut kernel is not split or broken.

§ 51.2758 Split.

Split means the separated half of a peanut kernel.

§ 51.2759 Broken.

Broken means that more than one-fourth of the peanut kernel is broken off.

§ 51.2760 Foreign material.

Foreign material means pieces or loose particles of any substance other than peanut kernels or skins.

§ 51.2761 Unshelled.

Unshelled means a peanut kernel with part or all of the hull (shell) attached.

§ 51.2762 Minor defects.

Minor defects means that the peanut kernel is not damaged but is affected by one or more of the following:

(a) Skin discoloration which is dark brown, dark gray, dark blue or black and covers more than one-fourth of the surface;

(b) Flesh discoloration which is darker than a light yellow color or consists of more than a slight yellow pitting of the flesh;

(c) Sprout extending more than one-eighth of an inch from the tip of the kernel; and,

(d) Dirt when the surface of the kernel is distinctly dirty, and its appearance is materially affected.

§ 51.2763 Damage.

Damage means that the peanut kernel is affected by one or more of the following:

- (a) Rancidity or decay;
- (b) Mold;
- (c) Insects, worm cuts, web or frass;

(d) Freezing injury causing hard, translucent or discolored flesh; and,

(e) Dirt when the surface of the kernel is heavily smeared, thickly flecked or coated with dirt, seriously affecting its appearance.

Subpart—United States Standards for Grades of Onions (Other Than Bermuda-Granex-Grano and Creole Types)

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GRADES

§ 51.2830 U.S. No. 1.

U.S. No. 1 consists of onions which meet the following requirements:

(a) Basic requirements:

(1) Similar varietal characteristics, except color when designated as a specialty or mixed pack;

(2) Mature;

(3) Fairly firm; and,

(4) Fairly well shaped.

(b) Free from:

(1) Decay;

(2) Wet sunscald;

(3) Doubles;

(4) Bottlenecks; and,

(5) Scallions.

(c) Free from damage caused by:

(1) Seedstems;

(2) Splits;

(3) Tops;

(4) Roots;

(5) Dry sunken areas;

(6) Sunburn;

(7) Sprouts;

(8) Freezing;

(9) Peeling;

(10) Cracked fleshy scales;

(11) Watery scales;

(12) Dirt or staining;

(13) Foreign matter;

(14) Mechanical;

(15) Translucent scales;

(16) Disease;

(17) Insects; and,

(18) Other means.

(d) For tolerances see §51.2837.

(e) Size. Unless otherwise specified the diameter shall be not less than 1½ inches, and yellow, brown, or red onions shall have 40 percent or more, and white onions shall have 30 percent or